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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Markus Haller et al. Examiner: Prieto, Beatriz

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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD OF AUTOMATED INVOICING FOR

COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN AN IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE AND A REMOTE COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR HEALTH

PROVIDER

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed 27 March 2006 which set a three-month statutory period for reply expiring 27 June 2006. This Amendment is submitted in advance of the expiration of said period for reply.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.